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1. In view of the interest of the Communist Party of Brazil (PCB) in the forthcoming municipal and state elections, the PCB National Committee has issued the following pre-election orders to all its units in Brazil:

- a. Elect, whenever possible, Communists to the posts of mayor and councilman. In municipalities where there is a strong Communist electoral vote, the PCB will support and infiltrate a weaker party and through it elect PCB representatives to office. *
- b. Back the most liberal candidate in cases where the PCB has insufficient strength to elect its own representatives, and thus bring as many supporters as possible to the PCB. The PCB promises the vote of members of various recently organized cultural societies, such as the Clube de Cultura Popular Euclides da Cunha, Associao Brasileira dos Amigos do Povo Espanhol, Centro da Defesa do Petroleo Brasileiro, and Comite de Defesa da Constituicao ** to the candidate who promises to fulfill the greatest number of the PCB's demands for public improvements.

2. The PCB and the Uniao Democratico Nacional (UDN) are reported to have formed an alliance to elect Tito Livio de Santana, UDN candidate for Vice President of the Federal District Municipal Chamber of Deputies. The Communists willingly accepted Santana as candidate, as he has been a "fellow traveler" of the PCB for some time, and a friend of Luis Carlos Prestes. He has been seen frequently at Communist gatherings, and is not known to have spoken against the Communists in the Municipal Chamber.

25X1A6a [REDACTED] * Such infiltration took place within the Partido Libertador (PL) in the State of Rio de Janeiro [REDACTED], where the 25X1A2g Communists gained enough power to run their own candidate, Yeddo Silva, for Mayor of Petropolis.

** Euclides da Cunha Club of Popular Culture, Brazilian Association of Friends of the Spanish People, Center of Defense of Brazilian Petroleum, and Committee of Defense of the Constitution.

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